## LAFAYETTE COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

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## MEETING Thursday, August 20, 2015 8:00 A.M. - Highway Office

Present were Dwayne Larson, Gerald Heimann, John Bartels, Wayne Wilson and Tom Jean, Mike Reynolds, Maddrell Construction, and MZ Construction.

Chairman Larson called the meeting to order.

The agenda was properly posted at the Lafayette County Courthouse, the Darlington Municipal Building and the Lafayette County Highway Department.

Motion by Heimann, second by Wilson to approve the agenda, motion carried.

Motion by Wilson, second by Bartels to approve the minutes of the meeting dated August 10, 2015, motion carried.

Motion by Heimann, second by Bartels to approve Voucher #4349, motion carried.

The 2016 Highway budget was presented to the committee. Many things were discussed with the committee regarding the Highway Operating costs, equipment that will need to be replaced and major repairs, etc. After discussion motion was made by Bartels and second by Larson to send Highway budget to Finance with a \$2,346,000 levy. Motion carried.

The bid opening for Zimmerman Road TRIP project in Lamont Township was held. There were three bids presented. Lafayette County Highway Dept for \$35,000; MZ Construction for \$53,150; and Maddrell Excavating for \$63,655. Motion by Wilson, second by Heimann to table bids and talk with Lamont Township. Motion carried.

Projects Update: we are sealcoating; we have a lot of patches to do. TRIP Projects: Zimmerman Road bid opening was today; Brush Road bid opening will be in the spring. We will be starting sealcoating on Hwy 78 South and Hwy 23 North. We did some sealcoating in the Village of Belmont when a batch of rain popped up and caused issues with the oil and washing of chips. Mowing is continuing on both State and County roads. Three out of the four college kids will be done this week.

Equipment Update: The two new trucks we bid earlier this year will be delivered in October and Monroe Truck thinks they will have about a 60 day turn around. So hopefully we will have trucks by the end of the year. We need a new loader, and Volvo has a program where we buy a loader and each year trade for a new one at no cost. Committee asked Tom to look into this further. Also, we have been having problems with our roller. We are currently renting one from Fabco. Committee asked Tom to check into buying the rented roller if they take the rental rate off of purchase price.

Tom informed the committee that we have received 25 applications. Tom has not gotten a chance to look over applications in detail. Committee asked that a letter be sent

to applicants telling them that interviews will possibly be the second week of September.

The next committee meeting is scheduled for Sept 9th at 8:00 AM and September  $28^{th}$  at 8:00 AM. The Committee asked Tom and Val to go over applications.

Motion by Wilson, second by Heimann, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.